

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	: Jürgen-Michael Weick et al.	Art Unit	: 3742
Serial No.	: 10/632,096	Examiner	: Samuel M. Heinrich
Filed	: August 1, 2003	Conf. No.	: 1914
Title	: LASER PROCESSING MACHINE		

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated February 11, 2009, finally rejecting claims 1-10, 12-15, 30-35, and 37-47 as being unpatentable over Applicant's Admitted Prior Art (the admitted prior art) in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,657,397 (Oehler)* and U.S. Patent No. 3,691,478 (Jacobs); claims 2 and 40-47 as being unpatentable over the admitted prior art in view of Oehler, Jacobs, and U.S. Patent No. 6,075,223 (Harrison); claims 3 and 31 as being unpatentable over the admitted prior art in view of Oehler, Jacobs, and U.S. Patent No. 4,646,309 (Arisawa); claims 4 and 32 as being unpatentable over the admitted prior art in view of Oehler, Jacobs, and U.S. Patent No. 5,331,649 (Dacquay); claims 5, 6, and 33 as being unpatentable over the admitted prior art in view of Oehler, Jacobs, and U.S. Patent No. 4,112,367 (Hepner); claims 7, 8, and 34 as being unpatentable over the admitted prior art in view of Oehler, Jacobs, and U.S. Patent No. 6,488,626 (Lizzi); claims 9, 10, and 35 as being unpatentable over the admitted prior art in view of Oehler, Jacobs, and U.S. Patent No. 6,843,102 (Shulga); claims 12-14 and 39 as being unpatentable over the admitted prior art in view of Oehler, Jacobs, and U.S. Patent No. 5,298,716 (Ogawa); claims 15 and 37 as being unpatentable over the admitted prior art in view of Oehler, Jacobs, and U.S. Patent No. 6,853,452 (Laufer); claim 38 as being unpatentable over the admitted prior art in view of Oehler, Jacobs, and U.S. Patent No. 4,722,090 (Haruta).

* As pointed out in the attached Interview Summary, Boudet was improperly cited in the office action dated November 7, 2008, and any reference to Boudet was replaced with the Oehler in the action of February 11, 2009. Therefore, this appeal addresses the claims in view of Oehler (instead of Boudet).

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The fee of \$540 for the appeal fee is being paid concurrently with the Electronic Filing System (EFS). Please apply this and all other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 15540-0009001.

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